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In re Application of : DECISION ON
POLICKY et al. :
Application No.: 09/980,049 : PETITION UNDER
PCT No.: PCT/US01/10436 :
Int. Filing Date: 29 March 2001 : 37 CFR 1.182
Priority Date: 29 March 2000 :
For: G-PROTEIN COUPLED RECEPTORS :

This is a decision on applicants' "Petition for Name Change of Inventor under 37 CFR 1.182", filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) on 19 May 2003. Applicants request that the application reflect joint inventor Chandra Patterson family name change from Chandra Patterson to Chandra S. Arvizu. The \$130 petition fee was authorized to be paid from applicants' deposit account.

On 08 July 2002, applicants filed a Response to Notification of Missing Requirements, indicating that Chandra Patterson married and changed her family name to Chandra Arvizu subsequent to the filing of the international application. .

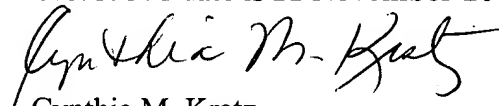
On 17 March 2003, a decision on the submission indicating that an affidavit signed by Chandra Patterson indicating the reason for the name change must be submitted.

As explained in MPEP 605.04(c), applicants must provide a signed affidavit setting forth both names and the procedure whereby the change of name was effected, or a certified copy of the court order. Here, applicant submitted the statement of Chandra Patterson regarding her respective change of name. Applicant submitted her signed affidavit setting forth the procedure whereby the change of name was effected and identifying both names of applicant, Chandra Patterson and Chandra S. Arvizu. Thus, the evidence is sufficient to conclude that Chandra Patterson changed her name by marriage to Chandra S. Arvizu.

CONCLUSION

The petition under 37 CFR 1.182 to change the inventor's name Chandra Patterson to Chandra S. Arvizu is **GRANTED**.

The declaration submitted on 21 November 2001 is acceptable as filed. The application will be forwarded to the United States Designated/Elected Office for further processing. The 35 U.S.C. 371 date is **21 November 2001**.


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